



JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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Committee Agenda

Thursday, July 30, 2009

9:30 am – 2:30 pm

Sound Transit, Union Station, Ruth Fisher Boardroom

401 S. Jackson Street

Seattle, Washington

1. **Tolling Operations Costs Expert Review Panel** (90 min, information and discussion) **9:30**
The JTC's independent expert review panel will present their draft report on WSDOT's tolling operations, with a specific focus on WSDOT's two RFPs for the SR 520 tolling project. WSDOT will be available for questions and discussion.

Daniel Faust, AECOM; Harold Worrall, Transportation Innovations; JJ Eden, North Carolina Turnpike Authority; James Crawford, Interagency Group/E-Z Pass; & Duane Buchko, AECOM

2. **I-90 Valuation project** (60 min, information and discussion) **11:00**
The JTC has funded a study by WSDOT and Sound Transit to independently analyze methodologies to value I-90's center lanes, which will be used for light rail across Lake Washington. This study has two phases:
 - Phase 1, a legal analysis of agreements, commitments and valuation methodologies
 - Phase 2, a valuation study based on approved methodologies

The Consultant Team will present their draft report on Phase 1.

Paul Neal, JTC staff, Valuation Project Consultant team: Alan Merkle of Stoel Rives LLP, and Steve DeJulio, Foster Pepper PLLC.

3. **Working Lunch, Sound Transit Link light rail opens in Seattle** (60 min, presentation) **12:00**
On Saturday, July 18th, Link light rail opened for passenger service between downtown Seattle and Tukwila. Sound Transit will provide an update on their new service.

Ron Klein, Sound Transit Director of Communications and External Affairs

4. **Implementing Alternative Transportation Funding Methods** (90 min information and discussion)..... **1:00**
The JTC is undertaking a comprehensive research effort and analysis of alternative transportation funding methods. The goal is to identify implementation steps to transition to viable mid-term and long-term funding methods in light of higher oil prices, changing vehicle fleets, and conservation and environmental initiatives. This session will focus on the following:
 - Overview of study goals and scope, and proposed schedule
 - Draft white paper on policy initiatives affecting transportation funding
 - Draft review of transportation funding methods

Gene Baxstrom, JTC staff, Kathy Scanlan, Cedar River Group; Michael Hodgins, Berk & Associates

5. **Adjourn**..... **2:30**

What's Next?

- **September 9, 9:30 – 3:30, JTC meeting, Seattle, PSRC Board Room**
- **September 30, 1:30 – 4:30, Olympia**

Please note: Topics, actions, and times are subject to change.

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